# Stretching & Mobility

*Prior to beginning these stretches it is advised that you take a hot bath/shower or apply a heat pack for approximately 10-15 minutes.*

## Knees to Chest
- Lay on your back
- Bring both knees to your chest and hold them in this position with your hands.
- Maintain this position for 30 seconds
- Repeat 3 times

![Knees to Chest](image)

## Prone extension
- Lying on your stomach extend your back by perching up onto your elbows or hands as depicted below.
- Hold this position for 30 seconds. Repeat 3 times

![Prone extension](image)

## Piriformis Stretch
- Lying on your back assume the position which is depicted in the image below.
- Use your hands to pull your knee to the opposite chest
- Perform 3 sets of 30 second holds on each leg

![Piriformis Stretch](image)

## Hamstring Stretch
- Lie on your back. Keeping your knee straight or slightly bent, lift that leg off the floor as far as you comfortably can.
- Grasp the back of your raised knee or calf. Or grasp a towel draped behind your knee or calf.
- Keeping your leg fairly straight, slowly pull it toward your chest.
- Perform 3 sets of 30 second holds each side

![Hamstring Stretch](image)

## Low back stretch
- Sitting with your legs wide apart.
- Lean your body out into the space between your legs and stretch out with your arms.
- Hold for 30 seconds. Repeat 3 times

![Low back stretch](image)
**Trunk Rotation**
- Laying on your back, bend your knees.
- Rotate your knees to the right.
- Hold for 10-30 seconds
- Do the same on the left side.
- Repeat 3 times each side.

**Hip Flexor Stretch**
- In the kneeling position lean your pelvis forwards.
- You should feel a stretch through the front of your thigh.
- Hold for 30 seconds. Repeat 3 times each side.

**Figure 4 Stretch**
- Lying on your back assume the position which is depicted in the image below.
- Use your hands to pull your leg and increase the stretch.
- Perform 3 sets of 30 second holds on each leg

**Quadriceps Stretch**
- Stand an arm’s length from a wall.
- Look straight ahead.
- Place one hand against the wall.
- With your other hand, grasp the ankle of the foot on the same side. Pull gently.
- When you feel the stretch in your thigh, hold for 30 seconds.
- Keep your knees together.
- Perform 3 sets each side
QL Stretch
- In the standing position, reach one arm over your head.
- Lean to the opposite side until you feel a stretch down the side of your body.
- Hold this position for 30 seconds.
- Repeat 3 times each side.

TFL Stretch
- Standing with one leg behind the other.
- Lean your body over towards the back leg whilst reaching over your head.
- Hold this position for 3 seconds.
- Repeat 3 times each side.

Range of Motion
- In the standing position, bend forwards and try to touch your toes.
- Slowly rise back up and extend backwards as far as you can go. Return to starting position.
- Lean as far as you can to the left side whilst running your hand down your thigh. Repeat on the right side.
- Repeat this process three times

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